

Flying Together... Woodsy Owl Partnerships Update



2003 Garden Club Poster Contest

The USDA Forest Service, through the National Symbols Program, and the National Garden Clubs Inc. sponsor the annual Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl Poster Contest. The nation's fire prevention and environmental icons promote wildfire prevention education and conservation emphasizing everyone's role of self-responsibility for our environment.

Every year teachers and students can increase their environmental awareness by participating in this contest. We are inviting 1st through 5th grade students to submit fun original posters of Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl, depicting their themes of "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!" and "Lend A Hand - Care For The Land."



The national winner will win a free trip to Washington DC, including roundtrip airfare and accommodations for four to participate in a presentation ceremony. Additionally, a \$100 US savings bond will be awarded to the first place winner for each grade level.



Please contact your USDA Forest Service regional coordinators (found on www.symbols.gov) to receive poster contest flyers to share with your school contacts. Poster contest flyers will be available for distribution this month! For more information visit www.gardenclub.org.



Cast Your Vote

Help Select the 2002 Poster Contest National Winner!

The 2002 Garden Club Poster Contest national winner will be chosen this week! View the posters in the CE conference exhibit area. Pick your favorite poster, fill out your voting sheet and put it into the box located in the poster display area. That's it! By participating, you are automatically entered in a raffle to win a Smokey Bear plate. The national poster winner and the raffle prize winner will be announced on Thursday, March 14, before the morning joint session.

Vote and win this raffle prize, featuring a Wendelin image of Smokey Bear



Lend a Hand-Care for the Land during Earth Week!

Be creative! Take Woodsy Owl materials and costume out of the box and use it! Don't miss the opportunity to use Woodsy Owl during your next Earth Day event! We want to hear your plans for Woodsy during Earth Week activities. Look for the reporting form that the Conservation Education Regional Coordinators will be sending you!

